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In addition, applicant brings to the Examiner's attention Civil Action No. '04 CV 00614 DMS, which was brought by American Calcar Inc. against BMW of North America, LLC. before the United States District Court for the Southern District of California. This civil action is based on, among others, U.S. Patent No. 6,275,231 ("the '231 patent") issued on Application Serial No. 08/904,855 of which the present application is a continuation. A copy of the cover page of the Complaint is enclosed for the PTO's records and file history of the present application. The name of the inventor of the '231 patent is Michael L. Obradovich. American Calcar Inc. is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at 1001 Avenida Pico C139, San Clemente, California. BMW of North America, LLC is a New Jersey limited liability company with its principal place of business at 300 Chestnut Ridge Road, Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey.

The required fee \$180 for filing this IDS is also enclosed.

Respectfully,

Michael L. Obradovich

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